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Washington

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MEMORANDUM FOR   THE UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE
THE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE
THE CHAIRMAN, INTERDEPARTMENTAL INTELLIGENCE CONFERENCE

SUBJECT: International Diplomatic Communications, (Proposed
Legislation to Permit Reciprocal Radio Agreements)

REFERENCE: Memo for Addressees and others, from the Special Assistant
to the President for National Security Affairs, same subject,
dated May 17, 1957.

The President, after hearing the views on the subject expressed at the meeting today in the Cabinet Room which you attended, stated that, without foreclosing further consideration, he was not presently convinced that there would be a net advantage to U. S. security in requesting the proposed legislation.

As a basis for his further consideration, the President requested that the following reports be prepared and submitted to him:

a. A report by the Director of Central Intelligence and the Chairman, Interdepartmental Intelligence Conference, as to the balance of advantages and disadvantages from the viewpoint of intelligence which would result if the proposal for legislation were approved.

b. A report by the Departments of State and Defense, in consultation with other interested agencies, as to whether use could be made of existing U. S. Governmental facilities throughout the world to accomplish the purposes for which the proposed legislation is intended.

It is requested that the above mentioned reports be submitted to the President through this office, before June 17 if possible.

/s/

ROBERT CUTLER
Special Assistant to the
President

cc: The Attorney General
The Director, Office of Defense Mobilization
The Chairman, Federal Communications Commission
Director, Bureau of the Budget
Deputy Director, U. S. Information Agency
Major General Wilton B. Persons